REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the subject application as amended herein. This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed January 9, 2009. Claims 45-52 and 61-68 stand rejected. Claims 53-60 are allowed. In this Amendment, no claims have been amended. Claims 45-52 and 61-68 have been canceled without prejudice. Applicants believe it would be proper under 37 C.F.R. 1.116(b)(1) to enter this Amendment.

Allowed Subject Matter

The Examiner indicates that claims 53-60 are allowed. Applicants note with appreciation the Examiner's indication of the allowed subject matter.

35 U.S.C. §101

Claims 45-52 and 61-68 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Applicants have canceled claims 45-52 and 61-68, and thus the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101 is now moot. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully requests that the Examiner remove the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §101.

In view of the above, all rejections have been overcome. Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims are in condition for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited.

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Deposit Account Authorization

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due. Furthermore, if an extension is required, then Applicant hereby requests such extension.

If the Examiner determines the prompt allowance of these claims could be facilitated by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact Joan O. Arbolante at (408) 720-8300.

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